



WALLOWA-WHITMAN NATIONAL FOREST

Forest Order #T-2015-0616-LG-01

Fire Closure

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Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50(a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in the area described in this order within the La Grande Ranger District of the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest.

1. It is prohibited for any person to be on any road or in the area described in Appendix A of this order. 36 CFR 261.53(e).

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Sec. 261.50 (e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- (1.) Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
- (2.) Any Federal, State or local law enforcement officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, Subpart A.

Done at Baker City, Oregon, this ___14____of August 2015

_/s Thomas Montoya___

THOMAS MONTOYA
Forest Supervisor
Wallowa-Whitman National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 U.S.C. 551 and 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571)



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Appendix A

Description - Main access roads to close

- -2036 road from junction of 2036 and Oregon Hwy 203
- -2036101 road from junction of 2036 and 2038101 to junction of 2036101 and 2036125
- -2038125 road from junction of 2036101 and 2036125 to junction of 2036125 and 2038
- -2038 road from junction of 2036125 and 2038 to junction of 2038 and 2036

Statement of Need:

This closure is necessary to provide forest visitors protection from the current hazardous conditions associated with the current fire situation on the Whitman Ranger District.

Enforcement Procedures:

Enforcement will be conducted by FPOs, LEOs and SAs. Discretion will be used in the first couple of days after enacting the order and the preferred method of compliance will be a warning since the goal is to clear the area and protect the public.

Posting:

Posting shall be done by the forest staff or fire personnel assigned to the fire. Posting should be made at all major access point to the area.

Enforcement Plan

Action	Responsible Official	<u>Date</u>
Prepare proposed order	Appropriate Staff with LEI input	8/14/2015
Review proposed order	Patrol Captain	8/14/2015
Approve proposed order	Forest Supervisor	8/14/2015
Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51	District Staff Officer and Staff	8/14/2015
Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives	District Ranger PAO, LEO	n/a

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation:

<u> [s]Thomas Montoya</u>

Thomas Montoya Forest Supervisor Robert Field Patrol Captain



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